



MEGAN'S DRESS

FROCKS & FROLICS



Megan's dress is a bit of a cheat. Its a true beginners dress but it looks as if it took forever and was quite expensive. Ideal for the colder season with a long sleeves turtle neck underneath and some funky wooly tights; this will be loved by your girl. For more ideas and video instructions please visit my web site or the Frocks & Frolics 'You Tube' channel.

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WHAT DO I NEED TO START?

The beauty of a child's pattern is that it takes very little fabric. So you can pick a fabric you really like without worrying about the cost too much. For this autumn I recommend fine cord and a smooth cotton lining.

Fabric requirements

Shell Fabric:

70 cm / $\frac{3}{4}$ of a yard - (age 2 & 3)

90 cm / 1 yard - (age 4, 5 & 6)

Lining

70 cm / $\frac{3}{4}$ of a yard - (age 2 & 3)

90 cm / 1 yard - (age 4, 5 & 6)

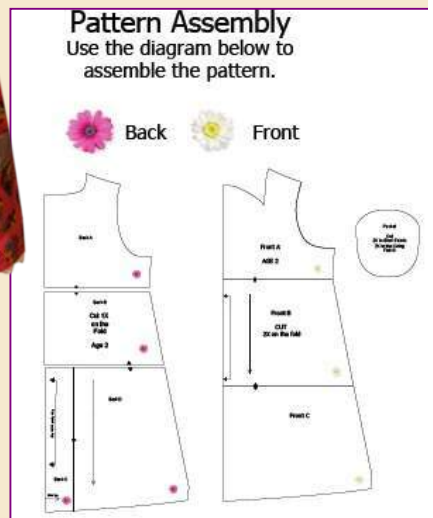
Buttons:

I would suggest two smaller buttons and one larger for the center front. I have used cover buttons but the options are endless it could even be a bow or two or even three!

Matching Thread:

For my dress I used contrast thread which always looks great and a triple stitch to make it look thicker so it looks embroidered. I tend not to use thicker threads on my domestic sewing machine as the tension rarely works well. You really need industrial machines for that.

Warning: STAY AWAY FROM POLYESTER!!!



Frocks & Frolics Patterns Assembly

Printing the pattern is easy. Just press print, select 'Actual Size', then click on properties and select borderless. Ready!

Do check my scale which you find on the pattern to see if its printed off correctly.

Patterns are easy to put together like craft patterns. The front and back each have a different colour flower, so all you need to do is sort them out and stick them together from A-D. There are also balance marks so you can't go wrong and every size is separate so no confusion when you are cutting out!



Buttons

Cut a circle according to the pattern that comes with the packet and sew a running stitch around the edge. Then pull the thread and gather the material. Neaten the edge place second part of the button on top and press down.

Fold the pocket in half to find the center then sew the button on.



Front & Back

Place the lining front on top of the front right sides facing. Pin around the armhole and the neckhole.

Sew leaving the shoulder open. Snip curves and cut front peak right to the seam. Turn and iron.

Topstitch the front flap as before and place a cover button in the center.



Joining the Front & Back

Go in through the back and gap the front shoulder. Pull it through to the wrong side and secure from side to side with pins. It's really important that the front shoulder really is in there right in the corner!

Topstitch from seam to seam. Cut the corners and pull back to the right side.

Iron and you'll have a no fuss perfect finish.



SEWING SUCCESS

'Designer Clothes for Kids' in Kidderminster gave everyone an opportunity to get creative.

Everyone was so pleased with their outcomes and I hope you will be too.

This dress has not been modelled yet so if you want your daughter to be the 'frocks & frolics' 'Supermodel' then send me a photo of her in the dress you have made and if I use it as my pattern cover I will send you my next design free of charge.

